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Dear Sir:

Applicant requests a one-month extension of time, from 25 November 2002 to 25 December 2002, in which to respond to the Decision Reviewing Status Under 37 CFR 1.47 (a). Please charge the appropriate extension fee of \$55.00 from Deposit Account No. 50-0869 (Client Ref. Office).

The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge any additional fees under 37 C.F.R. " 1.16 and 1.17 that may be required by this paper, and to credit any overpayment, to Deposit Account No. 50-0869 (Client Ref. Office).

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